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Mesilla Valley Radio Club		

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Sat (with no club meet)	Informal at Village Inn Telshore	6:00 AM	
M, W, F	Informal Wal-Mart (West)	10:00 AM	
Wed	MVRC Net 146.64	6:45 PM	
July 4	No meeting Club House	8 AM	
July 4	No meeting Club House	9 AM	
July 7	Builder's Group Club House	7 PM	
July 8	Board Meeting Club House	7 PM	
July 14	Linux -SIG Club House	7 PM	
July 21	Builders Group Club House	7 PM	
July 28	Linux - SIG Club House	7 PM	
For more events see <a href="http://www.n5bl.org/calendar">http://www.n5bl.org/calendar</a>			



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## The Start of Field Day

## The Articles for This Month

### Field Day

K5XY

The club was well prepared for the start of Field. The solar power was installed the day before, KE5JWC had brought in snacks, and the main operating position was staffed by W3GWU and KF5KHJ. A 6 meter (and 2 meter) transceiver was installed by AD5LJ. There were even a couple of people who do not usually visit the club house there.

As soon as noon arrived. Contacts came rolling in. Unfortunately they were all on the HF bands. Six meters was completely dead and there was nobody on two meters.

The club decided to run as class 3 E. That meant that there were three operating positions (HF, VHF, and digital) and that the whole operation was run on solar power.

The solar power trailer was quite interesting. The trailer was loaned to the club for the weekend by Positive Energy and was worth a good look by itself. The trailer had three panels on the roof and enough batteries inside to last through the night. It could supply 1 KW of power. Inside there was a big control panel with three parts, the main inverter which converted the 24 volt DC to 119 AC, a battery charger which could be used to recharge the batteries from AC at the start

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or if the weather was really bad, and a large switch panel to control the various circuits. Two



large extension cords ran into the club house to power the main operating position and the six meter station.

## Monthly Club Meeting

WB5OCY

### ***Minutes for Mesilla Valley Radio Club Saturday June 6, 2015***

Club Meet and Greet was at 8 AM to 9 AM. Coffee and juice as well as fat pills were provided by Cash Olsen KD5SSJ. Thanks again Cash.

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM Evans Ralston KF5DNI talked on the GPS global positioning system. What it is, where it came from, who benefits from it etc. Once again we were treated to a very interesting and informative speaker. Thank you for your time Evans.

10:00 AM. In lieu of KE5OFK Robert Truitt's absence, the business meeting was called to order by our club secretary, Sven Breden WB5OCY... As is our custom, members introduced themselves with name, call and class of license.

The club roster is apparently in dire need of numerous errors and omissions to be addressed. A lot of folks are not on it or other discrepancies have crept in... The board will be discussing it next meeting.



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Field Day activities: The possibility of the availability of a previously offered solar power unit was discussed. Bob Bennett said the club's generator was too loud to be run.

George Kopp KD5OHA Athletic Activity Event Coordinator. No upcoming race activity to report at this time. George is net control for the club repeater on 146.64. The net meets at 6:45 PM on Wednesdays. All licensed hams are encouraged and invited to participate. George's cell is 575-640-7853.

Cash Olsen KD5SSJ Education: Still scheduling guest speakers for the rest of the year.

Bob Bennett AD5LJ for Building and Property. Bob has the store room open to try and finish clearing out the final remnants of Bean Feed donations. Come one, come all.

Items of note:

No club meeting in July

Field day is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and running through 2059 UTC Sunday.

MVRC Club meeting proper meets 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month.

Builders Group meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 7 PM every month at the club house. Bring your problem project or completed one to share with the group.

Linux SIG meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at the club house.

Board meetings are the Wednesday following the regularly scheduled club meeting. Visitors are encouraged to attend

For anyone who wants to be added to or removed from the clubs various email accounts, here are the links

Main [http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/mvrc\\_n5bl.org](http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/mvrc_n5bl.org)

Builders Club - [http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/builders\\_n5bl.org](http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/builders_n5bl.org)

Linux-SIG [http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/linux-sig\\_n5bl.org](http://n5bl.org/mailman/listinfo/linux-sig_n5bl.org)

Meeting adjourned at 10:22 AM.

## Monthly Board Meeting (May 6)

WB5OCY

### ***MVRC Board Minutes for Wednesday, June 10, 2015***

Board Members Emeritus

***Dave Hassall WA5DJJ Terry Angle AE5XI***

Current MVRC Board Members:

Gus Landis N0YRQ President

Sven Breden WB5OCY Club Secretary

Hugo Costa N1MEX Club Treasurer

Cash Olsen KD5SSJ Education

George Kopp KD5OHA Athletic Activity Event Coordinator

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Robert Truitt KE5OFK Repeater Group Support

Terry "Woody" Wood KF5SMQ Special Events

Bob Bennett AD5LJ Building and Property

Alex Burr K5XY Publications and Newsletter

John Cruddas KE5JWC Communications

Board members present at tonight's meeting: Sven Breden, George Kopp, Bob Bennett, Alex Burr and John Cruddas.

Visitors: Charles Combs KG5BVE

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Sven Breden, acting on behalf of vacationing Robert Truitt.

This was a short meeting with only a few items of note.

**Bob Bennett AD5LJ Building and Property:**

Bob would like to clean the storage shed out of the few remaining items left. Items not sold will be sold for scrap. The weeds around the club house are starting to get out of control again. Plans are being made to spray and burn in the immediate future. Bob is bringing a rig that will work six meters out to the club for field day.

**George Kopp KD5OHA Athletic Activity Event Coordinator:**

George has a new ham acquaintance that wanted to come to the club on field day and work six meters. Unfortunately the club does not have a functioning six meter rig at this time. A short race around the downtown mall is planed for early July. George has a list of folks to contact for this event.

**Alex Burr K5XY Publications and Newsletter:**

Alex is always looking for more items to put in the LO. The board was informed of articles of interest to hams that have been published. They were authored by Kyle Gesswein, Charles Combs and Dave Hassall.

**John Cruddas KE5JWC Communications:**

John wants to put together a team to work on the club's backlog of QSL cards. Volunteers are always appreciated for this effort.

The club roster of current dues paid members was discussed. The current list is full of errors and omissions. A solution agreeable to all is being sought.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

No club meeting in July.

No board meeting in July

Builders group and Linux people still meet in July.

## Treasurer Report

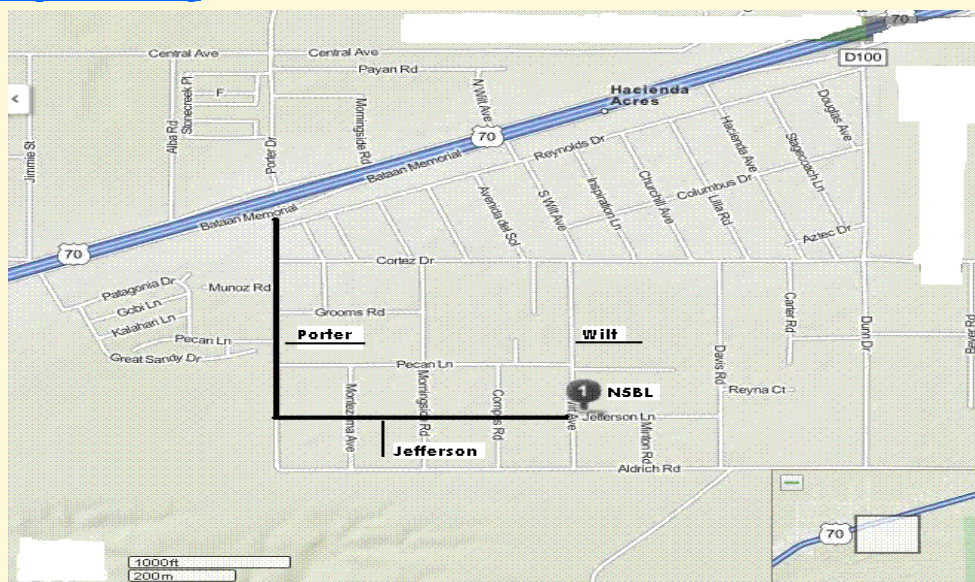
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This issue of the LO is published early so the treasurer's report is not yet available.

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## CLUB INFORMATION

The MVRC Clubhouse is located at the intersection of Wilt and Jefferson. To find the clubhouse, set your destination on your GPS receiver as 32 degrees 22.961 minutes and -106 degrees 41.44 minutes. If you don't own a GPS, take the Porter exit near the firehouse on US 70. It is about 5 miles east from the I 25 interchange. Go south on Porter until you come to Jefferson. There turn left toward the mountains and go to Wilt. You will see the beam on the corner. The treasurer would be delighted to receive your contribution for landscaping and furnishing. More information at <http://n5bl.org>



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## JOIN THE CLUB

To join the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, renew your membership, or to support the repeaters, please print, cut out, and complete the form below. Send it with dues (\$35 single, \$45 family per year, add \$10 to receive the newsletter by US mail instead of e-mail) to: Treasurer, MVRC, Box 1443, Las Cruces, NM 88004.

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CALL SIGN(S) \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

LICENSE CLASS (E, A, G, T, N) \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like to be added to the MVRC reflector? \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY & ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ (OPTIONAL)

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